seded by section 428a of this title. Similar provisions were contained in the following prior appropriation acts:

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May 23, 1955, ch. 43, title V, \$503, 69 Stat. 63.

June 29, 1954, ch. 409, title V, \$503, 68 Stat. 318.

July 28, 1953, ch. 251, title IV, \$403, 67 Stat. 224.

July 5, 1952, ch. 574, title IV, \$403, 66 Stat. 355.

Aug. 31, 1951, ch. 374, title IV, \$403, 66 Stat. 256.

Sept. 6, 1950, ch. 896, Ch. VI, title IV, \$407, 64 Stat. 657.

June 29, 1949, ch. 280, title I, 63 Stat. 226.

June 19, 1948, ch. 543, title I, 62 Stat. 508.

July 30, 1947, ch. 356, title I, 61 Stat. 523.

June 22, 1946, ch. 445, 60 Stat. 271.

May 5, 1945, ch. 109, 59 Stat. 136.

June 28, 1944, ch. 296, 58 Stat. 426.

July 12, 1943, ch. 215, 57 Stat. 393.

July 22, 1942, ch. 516, 56 Stat. 665.

July 1, 1941, ch. 267, 55 Stat. 408.

June 25, 1940, ch. 421, 54 Stat. 532.

§ 428a. Acquisition of land; options

(a) The Department of Agriculture is authorized to acquire land, or interest therein, by purchase, exchange or otherwise, as may be necessary to carry out its authorized work: *Provided*, That no acquisition shall be made under this authority unless provision is made therefor in the applicable appropriation or other law.

(b) Appropriations for the Department of Agriculture which are available for the purchase of land may be expended for options to purchase land: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$1 may be expended for each option to purchase any particular tract or tracts of land unless otherwise provided in appropriation or other law.

(Aug. 3, 1956, ch. 950, §11, 70 Stat. 1034.)

CROSS REFERENCES

Adjustment of title to lands under jurisdiction of Secretary of Agriculture, see section 2253 of this title.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in title 16 section 2103c.

§ 428b. Wheat and feed grains research; regional and national research programs; utilization of services of Federal, State and private agencies; authorization of appropriations

In order to reduce fertilizer and herbicide usage in excess of production needs, to develop wheat and feed grain varieties more susceptible to complete fertilizer utilization, and to improve the resistance of wheat and feed grain plants to disease and to enhance their conservation and environmental qualities, the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed to carry out regional and national research programs.

In carrying out such research, the Secretary shall utilize the technical and related services of the appropriate Federal, State, and private agencies.

There is authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section, but not more than \$1,000,000 in any fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 91–524, title VIII, §810, as added Pub. L. 93–86, §1(27)(B), Aug. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 238.)

§ 428c. Rice research

(a) Regional and national research programs; rules; purposes

The Secretary of Agriculture may, under rules prescribed by such Secretary, carry out regional

and national research programs with regard to rice for the following purposes:

- (1) to reduce fertilizer and herbicide usage in excess of production needs;
- (2) to develop varieties of rice more susceptible to complete fertilizer utilization;
- (3) to improve the resistance of rice plants to disease and to enhance their conservation and environmental qualities;
- (4) to increase the usage of rice and its processing byproducts;
- (5) to develop better husbandry practices in production and conservation of rice;
- (6) to develop more efficient rice storage practices:
- (7) to improve domestic and international marketing of rice; and
 - (8) to benefit the general welfare.

(b) Utilization of services of Federal, State, local governmental and private agencies; priority consideration

The Secretary shall, in implementing the program authorized in subsection (a) of this section, utilize the technical and related services of appropriate Federal, State, local governmental, and private agencies, with priority consideration for land grant universities, State experiment stations, and other agricultural institutions of higher learning.

(c) Authorization of appropriations; use restriction

There is authorized to be appropriated not more than \$1,000,000 for the period ending September 30, 1976, to carry out the provisions of this section. No funds authorized by this section shall be used for advertising or promotional activities.

(Pub. L. 94–214, title II, $\S 201$, Feb. 16, 1976, 90 Stat. 187.)

SHORT TITLE

Section 1 of Pub. L. 94–214 provided that: "This Act [enacting this section, amending sections 1352, 1385, 1428, and 1441 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as notes under sections 1352, 1353, 1377, 1385, 1428, and 1441 of this title] may be cited as the 'Rice Production Act of 1975'."

§ 429. Improvement of poultry, poultry products, and hatcheries

The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to cooperate with State authorities and with the authorities of the District of Columbia, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico in the administration of regulations for the improvement of poultry, poultry products, and hatcheries.

(Sept. 21, 1944, ch. 412, title I, §101(b), 58 Stat. 734; Aug. 4, 1950, ch. 579, 64 Stat. 413.)

AMENDMENTS

1950—Act Aug. 4, 1950, included within its provisions the District of Columbia, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico.

ADMISSION OF ALASKA AND HAWAII TO STATEHOOD

Alaska was admitted into the Union on Jan. 3, 1959, on issuance of Proc. No. 3269, Jan. 3, 1959, 24 F.R. 81, 73 Stat. c16, and Hawaii was admitted into the Union on Aug. 21, 1959, on issuance of Proc. No. 3309, Aug. 21, 1959, 24 F.R. 6868, 73 Stat. c74. For Alaska Statehood Law,